

July 19, 2022
6:30 p.m.
2354 State Route 434
Apalachin, New York

Regular Meeting of the Owego Town Board

A. Call to order, roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance -

The Supervisor called the meeting to order, the Deputy Town Clerk called the roll, and Scott Vasisko led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council:

Present: Supervisor Castellucci, Dean Morgan, Craig Jochum, Cheri Grenier and Jonathan Marks

Absent: None

Department Heads:

Present: Mike Roberts, Highway Superintendent

Rick Pedro, Assessor

Irene Graven, Town Attorney

Joann Lindstrom, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Peter Gordon, Town Historian

Scott Vasisko, Parks Maintenance Supervisor

Laura Burt, Deputy Town Clerk

Absent: Tyson Stiles, Director of Utilities

Mary Kennedy, Town Clerk and Tax Receiver

B. Minutes of the previous meetings -

No minutes were presented

C. Consideration of bids – none

D. Public Hearings

Reschedule Public Hearing for Local Law H of 2022, amending Chapter 46 Code of Town of Owego Dogs.

Councilperson Jochum made a motion to reschedule Public Hearing for August 16, 2022, Councilperson Grenier seconded all aye, passed.

E. Reports of Department Heads –

Peter Gordon, Town Historian – no report

Scott Vasisko, Parks Maintenance Supervisor – reported Summer going well, 3 out of 6 concerts well attended, camping going well.

Rick Pedro, Assessor – no report

Joann Lindstrom, will need attorney/client privilege

Mike Roberts, going good, sweeper truck delivered, paving coming up, maybe we can do away with leaf bags, lift installed, Mead Road/Hakes Road being worked on, working dirt roads currently.

Irene Graven, Town Attorney – will need attorney/client

Supervisor Castellucci – Web site almost done, Bob Firmstone Teamsters negotiations Aug 17th, they will meet, Irene to attend, Budget Aug. 01 starts/need accounting to do water accounts, need executive session after the meeting.

F. Privilege of the Floor- No one wished to speak.

G. Presentation of Petitions, Communications, Notices and Transfers – none

Liquor License notice, Chad Harris from Pacsaxethrowing answered questions from the board. Alcohol is bring your own, limited quantity, common for this sport, alcohol consumption and quantity to be supervised by staff. Town Board has no objections.

H. Abstracts-

Councilmember Jochum made a motion to approve the following abstracts as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Marks and unanimously carried on a Roll Call Vote.

Councilperson Grenier had a couple of questions, why was Sewer treatment plant receiving Culligan water and HN-cleaning services for Highway, answered by Supervisor Castellucci.

A0 - General Fund	74,368.58
B0 - General Fund-Town Outside	13,459.23
DB - Highway-Town Outside	50,529.83
F0 - Water Districts	13,121.51
FA - Route 38 Water	432.50
G0- Sewer Districts	22,311.58
GA – Route 38 Sewer	437.01
HN – NY Rising-Shared Services Building	347,099.30
L1 – Lighting District 1	18.88
L2 - Lighting District 2	143.50
L3 – Lighting District 3	42.45
L4 - Lighting District 4B	39.77
L5 – Lighting District 5	27.63
L6 - Lighting District 6	161.80
L7 - Lighting District 7	40.00
L8 - Lighting District 8	28.38
L9 - Lighting District #9	11.74

LA – Lighting District 4A	14.03
LX – Lighting District 10	17.00
	\$522,304.72

I. Unfinished Business – None

J. Reports of Standing Committees –
 Councilmember Marks – no report
 Councilmember Jochum – no report

K. Presentation of Resolutions, Motions and New Business –
Councilmen Jochum motioned to accept Fritz E. Rudin appointment to HEO II, Wastewater Maintenance Supervisor. Councilmen Marks seconded all aye, carried.

L. Second Privilege of the floor – None

M. Executive Session –

Executive Session Minutes of 7/19/22:

Councilmen Marks motioned to enter into Executive Session at 6:52 PM, Councilmen Jochum seconded, all aye, carried.

The Board discussed an offer to purchase the former Highway Facility at 70 Delphine Street from Tioga County.

Councilmen Marks motioned to adjourn Executive Session at 7:00 PM, Councilmen Grenier seconded, all aye, carried (with minutes taken by town attorney, Graven)

Councilman Marks made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION
 AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF SURPLUS PROPERTY
 TO TIOGA COUNTY
 SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM AS PERMITTED BY LAW

WHEREAS, the Town of Owego Highway Department has relocated operations to the Shared Services Facility situate at 2272 State Route 434; and

WHEREAS, their former facility located at 70 Delphine Street in the Village of Owego (Tax Map No. 128.07-1-7) is now vacant; and

WHEREAS, the Tioga County Department of Public Works has approached the Town of Owego with an offer to purchase the former facility at 70 Delphine Street for \$200,000.00 (Two-hundred thousand dollars);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the former highway facility located at 90 Delphine Street is no longer necessary for the Town to retain for Town purposes and is hereby declared by the Town Board to be surplus property; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town of Owego Supervisor Donald Castellucci is authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to sell the above property to Tioga County for the amount of \$200,000.00 (Two-hundred thousand dollars), subject to permissive referendum as permitted by law.

AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Town Board has determined that it wishes to retain Coughlin & Gerhart Law Firm to provide legal services to complete the transaction.

Councilwoman Grenier seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

There being no further business, Councilman Morgan made a motion to adjourn at 7:03 PM

N. Adjournment -

Motion by Councilmember Morgan, the meeting was adjourned 7:03PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Burt, Deputy Town Clerk